# Mid-America Trails & Greenways Conference



Session 5A: Tourism, Promotion and Marketing

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### Two Initiatives



Contact us Guestbook

Trail user maps
Conservation
Corridors
Downtown Cultural
Trail
Little Buck Creek

Trail Pennsy Rail-Trail Pogues Run Basin

Town Run Trail

#### Trail funding restored in House bill!

The U.S. House of Representatives voted overwhelmingly in favor of trails and greenways, thanks to your support! How did your Congressional representative vote? Find out...

#### Trail task...

Volunteer op: Indy Greenways needs a volunteer to apply trail logos to the backs of greenways signs along all the













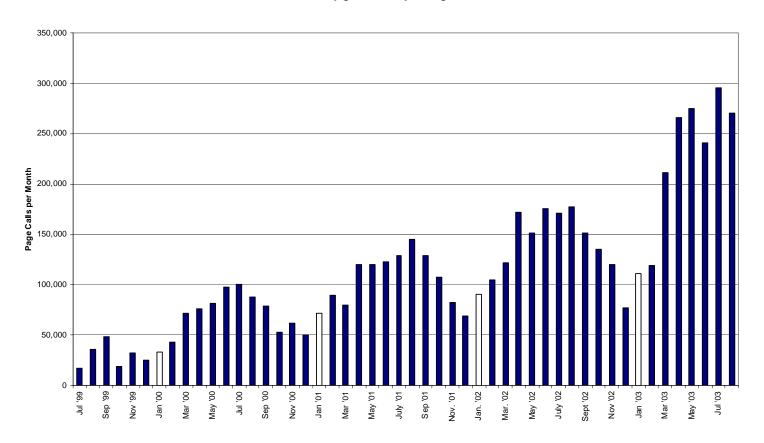


## Internet Communication and Promotion

- IndyGreenways.org just won the American Trails contest as the <u>best community trails website in</u> the US.
- Credit webmasters Tom & Mindy McCain (crittur.com), and support from the GF Board.
- Current annualized total cost ~ \$5,000.
- Annual page calls in excess of two million.

## Growth in Web Traffic

#### www.indygreenways.org/Stats



## Upcoming Enhancements

- Interactive health/fitness tools
- Possible "trailcam"
- "Hotspot" maps
- GW-related studies (health, property values, public safety and other topics)
- Donation "wish lists"
- Link to permission-based нтмь email
- Possible online logo merchandise sales

### "Pedal & Park"

#### What is it?

- Free, monitored bike parking
- Popular events near Indy greenways
- Portable equipment
- Staffed with volunteers

#### Why do it?

- Promote greenways
- Alternative transport
- Literature & maps
- "Evangelizing"
- Volunteer buy-in
- Raise a little money

## PEDAL& PARK

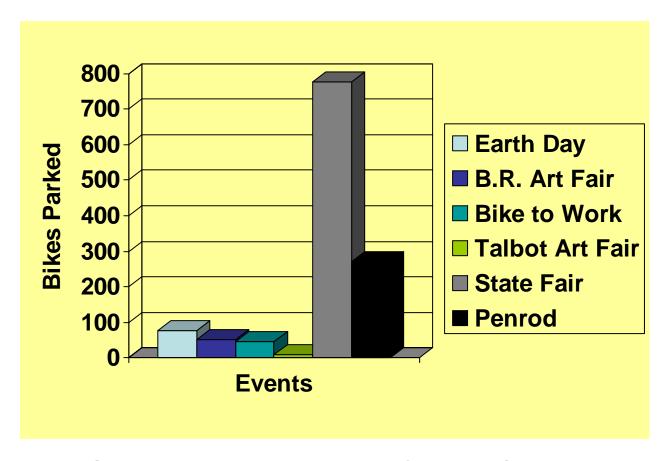








### Pedal & Park 2003 Results



Approx 75 volunteers & 700+ hours

### For More Information

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